

UNITED NATIONS FORUM ON THE QUESTION OF PALESTINE

"70 Years after 1948 – Lessons to Achieve a Sustainable Peace"

Convened by Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People (CEIRPP)

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The Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People, will convene the United Nations Forum on the Question of Palestine "70 Years after 1948 – Lessons to Achieve a Sustainable Peace" on 17 and 18 May at the Trusteeship Council Chamber of the United Nations Headquarters in New York.

The forum is being organized in accordance with UN General Assembly resolutions <u>72/11</u> and <u>72/13</u> of 30 November 2017. It will bring together Palestinian, Israeli and international experts, representatives of the diplomatic community and civil society for a constructive debate in support of collective efforts to launch credible negotiations, leading to a just resolution of all final status issues as part of a comprehensive settlement of the question of Palestine.

The **opening session** will begin Thursday, 17 May, at 10.00 a.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber. Remarks will be made by **Ms. Amina Mohammed**, Deputy Secretary-General of the UN, **Amb. Fodé Seck**, Chairman of the Committee; and **Ms. Hanan Ashrawi**, Member of the Executive Committee of the Palestine Liberation Organization. The second part of this session will provide an opportunity for short statements by representatives of Governments, intergovernmental organisations and the United Nations system.

The Forum will feature four plenary sessions over the two-day period, concluding on the evening of 18 May. Each plenary will have a discussion period. The official language of the event will be English, with interpretation available in all six official languages of the United Nations (Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish).

The Forum is open to the public and registration will be on a first-come, first-served basis. To register for the Forum, please <u>click here</u>. Registration will close on 13 May.

The Forum can be watched live on <u>UN Web TV</u>. The Division for Palestinian Rights will regularly provide updates including the programme and press releases on its <u>website</u> at https://www.un.org/unispal/, on Twitter at www.twitter.com/unispal and on Facebook at https://www.facebook.com/UN.palestinianrights/.

The Chairman's summary as well as the full report of the Forum's proceedings will be issued, in due course, as a publication of the Division for Palestinian Rights. For media inquiries, and further information please contact the Forum Secretariat at: dpr-meeting@un.org.